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1-5 (Canceled).

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6. (Currently Amended) A liquid crystal display (LCD) device, comprising:  
an upper polarizer on a upper substrate;  
a lower substrate on a lower polarizer;  
a liquid crystal layer disposed between the upper substrate and the lower substrate; and  
a backlight device disposed opposite and adjacent to the lower polarizer for emitting light toward the lower polarizer;  
wherein the lower polarizer includes a light shielding film in a peripheral portion formed in a rectangular shape only along a peripheral portion of the lower polarizer; and  
wherein the light shielding film absorbs light.
7. (Previously Presented) A liquid crystal display (LCD) device according to claim 6, wherein the light shielding film includes a coating that absorbs light.
8. (Previously Presented) A liquid crystal display (LCD) device of claim 7, wherein the light shielding film is formed by a printed material.
9. (Previously Presented) A liquid crystal display (LCD) device of claim 6, wherein the light shielding film extends along four peripheral sides of the lower polarizer.

10. (Previously Presented) A liquid crystal display (LCD) device of claim 6, wherein the light shielding film is dark.

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11. (Previously Presented) A liquid crystal display (LCD) device of claim 6, wherein the light shielding film is black.

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12. (New) The liquid crystal display (LCD) device of claim 6, wherein said liquid crystal display device is a dot matrix liquid crystal display.

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